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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 6360

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EGEN, CB, TH

SUBJ: THAI RICE FOR CAMBODIA

REF: PHNOM PENH 3799

1. EMBASSY HAS SPOKEN WITH BOTH PUBLIC WAREHOUSE DIRECTOR ANAN AND LOCAL SONEXIM AGENT YANG ( WITH WHOM PWO HAS BEEN NEGOTIATING PRICE FOLLOWING LY KIM HENG' S RETURN TO PHNOM PENH) TODAY, APRIL 23. BOTH CONFIRM DEVELOPMENTS DESCRIBED REFTEL, WITH ANAN ADDING THAT MINISTER PRASIT REJECTED \$176 PER TON PRICE AS BEING TOO LOW. UNOFFICIAL PRICE NOW \$200 PER TON FOB. ANAN STATED PRICE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL MINISTER PRASIT APPROVES AND THINKS PRASIT WILL MAKE DECISION TODAY.

2. YANG, WHO IS EMBARRASSED ABOUT HAVING HAD TO SEND PREVIOUS CABLE NOTIFYING SONEXIM OF PRASIT' S REJECTION OF WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS FIRM OFFER, NOW STATES HE WILL NOT INFORM SONEXIM OF RESULT CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS UNTIL HE HAS FIRM CONTRACT, APPROVED BY PRASIT, WHICH HE WILL THEN SEND TO PHNOM PENH FOR SIGNATURE.

3. ANAN AND YANG STATE RICE IS SAME QUALITY PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED WITH LY KIM HENG, I. E. 55 PERCENT BROKENS. FYI: ANAN STATES PWO RECENTLY RECEIVED OFFER FROM HONG KONG FOR  
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SAME QUALITY RICE OF \$215 PER TON. ( EMBASSY AGATT SOURCES  
HAS HEARD OF SAME HONG KONG OFFER.) END FYI.

4. COMMENT: USAID/ LAOS MUST ALSO NEGOTIATE DIRECTLY WITH PWO  
FOR RICE; THUS THERE IS PRECEDENT IN PROCEDURE SONEXIM HAS BEEN  
ASKED TO FOLLOW.  
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